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CATO CLOBBERS BIG TEN FIELD NCAA Field Nearly Set

Hello Again.....The indoor CE season's busiest weekend is nearly over. On Saturday-Sunday, Feb 26-27, 2011, eight more collegiate conferences conducted heptathlons/pentathlons and a trio of D-I



Jat Cato, left, (redshirt freshman from Crete, IL) took the Big Ten heptathlon lead during the pole vault and captured the league's heptathlon crown scoring a whopping 5742 points in Champaign, IL.



leagues began their two day affairs on Sunday morning. But most of the noise is over and the major focus was in Champaign, IL where 6-3, 180 lb redshirt freshman Jay Cato/Wisconsin (Crete, IL) man-handled a large field and came away with a 5742 total in only his 2nd heptathlon.

First day leader Joey Schwecke, Minnesota (3304 points!) appeared to have a lock on his own NCAA qualifying mark (5675) needing but 2:50 in the 1000m. He normally runs 2:47, but could manage just 2:55.83 (the tables' slope at this point is 10/11 pts per second) and he finished with a 5629 score, good for second but no trip to Fayetteville.

In other D-I Sat/Sun meets, Cornell's Nick Huber won the Heptagonals at the NYC Armory (5319); Brandon Basset/Samford became the Southern Conference king (5093), and 5266 Wichita State's Polish senior Krzysztof Slupkowski won the

Missouri Valley Conference meet in Cedar Falls where Wichita State Shockers went 1-2-3-4-6.

At the D-II level Brady Wert/Slippery Rock won the Pennsylvania Conference crown, and at D-III, Alex Stake/Augustana (IL) won the CCIW pentathlon title; Neal Fox of Allentown's DeSales U won the Middle Atlantic Conference crown; Ben Thill/Stevens Point became Wisconsin Intercollegiate pentathlon winner and Central (IA)'s Etahm Miller and Kurtis Brondyke *tied* for the Iowa Intercollegiate crown.



Minnesota senior Joes Schwecke fell 5 seconds shy of an NCAA auto qualifying score but placed 2nd at Big Ten.

Three additional D-I meets began on Sunday (Summitt League, SunBelt and Great West) and are not included in the collegiate list provided with this newsletter.

Coming up next....the USA national indoor heptathlon at Indiana U's Gladstein Field House in Bloomington. March 5-6. Jake Arnold is defending. Entry information at USATF CE meet website.



<http://www.usatf.org/events/2011/USAIndoorCEChampionships/entry/>

2011 Collegiate Indoor lists: *at the end of Sunday, Feb 27.*

NCAA I:

5903	Moss, Miller	Clemson	1/28-29
5816	Horn, Gray	Florida	2/25-26
5816	Barrefors, Bjorn	Nebraska/SWE	2/25-26
5812	Beach, Curtis	Duke	2/24-25
5756	Rise, Lars	Missouri/NOR	2/25-26
5751	Silkauskas, Mantas	Kansas St/LIT	2/25-26
5746	Taiwo, Jeremy	Washington	1/28-29
5742	Cato, Japeth	Wisconsin	2/26-27
5728	Martin, Romain	Texas-Arlington	2/25-26
5698	Cleve, Moritz	Kansas St/GER	2/25-26
5694	Morrison, Mike	California	2/25-26
5691	Felix, Kurt	Boise St/GRN	2/24-25
5685	Klech, David	Oregon	1/28-29
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5674	Sossah, Mateo	N Carolina/FRA	2/24-25
5674	Lazas, Kevin	Arkansas	2/25-26
5671	Bray, Wesley	Houston	2/25-26
5668	Slupkowski, Krzysztof	Wichita St/POL	2/4-5
5645	Spandl, Brock	Minnesota	1/28-29
5629	Schwecke, Joey	Minnesota	2/26-27
5578	Ayers, Michael	Georgia	2/25-26
5572	Grzesiak, David	Wisconsin	1/28-29
5563	Johnson, Matt	Sam Houston St	2/25-26
5549	Greaves, Kenny	Texas	1/28-29
5537	York, Richard	New Mexico	2/4-5
5517	Gooris, Dan	N Iowa	1/28-29
5515	Murphy, Isaac	Texas	1/28-29
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